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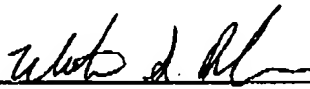
**REMARKS**

Applicants have submitted a Rule 312 Amendment that amends the priority claim in the present Application. The above-identified Application claims priority to U.S. Application Serial No. 09/026,618, filed on February 20, 1998, now issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,099,803. A supplemental Notice of Allowance is requested. If there are any questions regarding the submission of this paper, please call the undersigned at (949) 737-2926.

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